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SUBJECT: SONIC ALARM FOR TERP

SY CHANNEL

FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARIES FOR SECURITY AND COMMUNICATIONS
FROM CHARGE

REF: (1) 77STATE A-3952, (2) STATE 143202, (3) AMMAN 05123
(4) AMMAN 05194, (5) ATHENS 4888, (6) STATE 150206

1. I WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST YOUR ASSISTANCE IN IRONING OUT
ONE OF THE FEW REMAINING BUGS IN OUR NEWLY-INSTALLED TERP
COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM.

2. AS OUTLINED IN REFTELS, EMBASSY IS EXPERIENCING A
SEVERAL HOUR AND SOMETIMES ONE OR TWO-DAY DELAY IN RECEIPT
OF TELEGRAMS DUE TO REQUIREMENT BY SY THAT NO CLASSIFIED
TRAFFIC CAN BE PROCESSED OVERNIGHT IN UNATTENDED CRU UNIT
UNTIL A SONIC ALARM DEVICE IS INSTALLED. IN FAST-BREAKING
MIDDLE EAST, THIS IS CAUSING US SOME PROBLEMS ALREADY AND
HAS POTENTIAL FOR FURTHER PROBLEMS IF THESE DELAYS CON-
TINUE TO OCCUR.

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3. WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN PERMISSION TO ALLOW UNATTENDED
STORING ON MAGNETIC TAPE OF UNCLASSIFIED TRAFFIC OVERNIGHT

BUT DO NOT
HAVE PERMISSION FOR CLASSIFIED TRAFFIC. AT THE
SAME TIME WE ARE TOLD THAT WE MUST AWAIT A MID-JULY

ARRIVAL OF SY TECHNICIAN IN ORDER TO INSTALL SONIC ALARM.

4. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT PRESENCE OF TWO LOCKED VAULT DOORS
IN MARINE GUARDED EMBASSY AFTER HOURS IN ITSELF MAY BE
SUFFICIENT TO PERMIT UNATTENDED PROCESSING OF CLASSIFIED
TRAFFIC. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR LOOKING INTO THIS AND
LETTING US KNOW WHETHER THESE SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS ARE
ADEQUATE. IF NOT, WE WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR
EXPEDITING ARRIVAL OF QUALIFIED SY TECHNICIAN ASAP SO THAT

WE CAN IRON OUT DELAY IN RECEIPT OF TELEGRAPHIC TRAFFIC.
MANY THANKS FOR YOUR HELP. SUDDARTH

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